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## A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

Another year is drawing to a close. It is with sincere pleasure that we extend our best wishes to our many subscribers, friends and patrons, our best wishes for the year 1924. Nothing could please us more to find at the closing of 1924 that all had been happy and that all had bountifully prospered. We hope this may come true.

1923 has been a busy one for us and that is only because of the patronage that has been accorded us. We are duly grateful and trust that we may continue to merit your support. We have tried to be courteous and kind to every person who has entered our office; and we have tried to worthily support every honest public effort. The citizens of Crawford deserve this support from us and we trust we may never be found wanting.

A happy and prosperous New Year to all.

CRAWFORD AVALANCHE.

## HUNDREDS GIVEN XMAS CHEER

SANTA DISTRIBUTES PRESENTS WITH LAVISH HANDS.

But Few Homes With Children Are Overlooked.

Upon invitation of the Grayling Board of Trade Old Santa Claus visited Grayling in a manner that he had never equaled before. Practically every home in Grayling where there were children under the age of eight years received a visit from Kris Kringle. Candies, nuts and popcorn were left at every place, and several places desirable presents were left.

When he arrived in town and looked over his list of "Good" children he found that his 200 presents of toys, dolls, games and other articles would not be enough. At once he got busy and soon had a lot more provided and counted them up and found that there were just 330 articles. He called in some of the members of the Board of Trade to help him wrap packages and all day Sunday many hands were busy wrapping and addressing packages. Santa had this done at George Burke's garage, because he said George was just about the size of a Santa Claus and if he had long whiskers he would make a dandy one. Besides Mr. Burke gave him several hundred pounds of candy, popcorn balls and nuts with which to fill the large stockings.

Then it took a lot of scheming to get the packages arranged in such a manner that the right one could be found when they reached the homes of the boys and girls. Fred Welsh left Santa take a couple of the flooring mill Ruggles trucks for delivering the presents. Both were loaded to the limit, and you know these Ruggles are some regular load carriers. On one was a large Christmas tree hung with hundreds of colored lights, beside of which stood the real Santa Claus, with spot lights showing on him from every direction. It was a spectacle to behold.

There were so many places to go that the trucks started out Monday afternoon and worked until midnight before the last present or bag of candy, nuts and popcorn were delivered. Every place that Santa went he was greeted with a hurrah and he wore his gladdest smile as he saw so many happy children. Many a little girl and boy was made happy that night and many a new Mamma doll found a new fond mother.

This was a real glad Christmas, made so by the good Fellows of Grayling.

## GAVE HEALTH PLAY.

Use of Toxin-anti-toxin as Protection Against Diphtheria.

To call attention to the use of Toxin-anti-toxin as a preventive for diphtheria, a little health play was given Wednesday evening of last week in the school auditorium. It was a health story dramatized.

The characters were as follows:

Mrs. Brown, who doesn't believe in new fangled notions and her son Fred Brown, who in the last act dies of diphtheria.

Mrs. Black, who is her neighbor and follows her advice, and her daughter Jean, who recovers from diphtheria but with a weak heart as a result.

Mrs. White and Mrs. Green and their children, who decide to find out the truth from the Doctor and follow his advice, as a result their children are spared the sickness.

The figures were: Ignorance—Aspid Adman, and Death—Maxine Collins, who beckon the unwise parents to them; Wisdom—Beulah Collins and Mother Love—Lucinda Collins, who guide the wise ones. The Health Officer, who removes the diphtheria signs, and children from the lower grades.

The protogone was a talk on protection against diphtheria, given by Dr. Bright (Donald Reynolds). This talk was written up from authorities and approved by the doctor here.

The Prologue:

Ladies and Gentlemen: It is my privilege to read to you this paper on diphtheria and the protection against it. Do you know that 40 years ago it was not an unusual thing for a whole family to be swept off all its children?

In 1890 Behring and Sistrer discovered anti-toxin and since then, if it is given in time, most cases recover. If it is given the 1st day 97 per cent recover, if the second day 90 per cent and on the 3rd day 85 per cent recover.

Many who recover where the anti-toxin is given late have paralysis, or heart trouble or other bad results from the diphtheria because the poison has gotten into the nerve centers before the anti-toxin was given. Anti-toxin may be given to those who are exposed to prevent them from getting diphtheria. This immunizing dose will protect them for about three weeks but no longer. Anti-toxin is not dangerous to anyone. The serum—any serum—may be dangerous to one person in 57,000. One in 57,000 may be harmed by serum but without this anti-toxin serum 7000 out of 57,000 will probably die.

In 1923 in spite of what anti-toxin can do 15,000 little children died and 140,000 were sick in the U. S.

Now that toxin-anti-toxin has been discovered practically none need die or even be sick from diphtheria. Its use was begun in 1913 (10 years ago.) It was first used in the New York schools about 7 years ago and last

## VICTOR SALLING PASSES AWAY

DEATH CAUSED BY CANCER WHILE IN DETROIT HOSPITAL.

Was One of Grayling's Best Known Citizens.

Grief and sadness replaced the usual Christmas spirit among the family and friends of Victor E. Salling, when a message came Friday noon, December 21 telling of the death of Mr. Salling at Harper Hospital that morning. Not only over the family and intimate friends of the deceased but over the entire town, did the shadow of death cast its grief and its gloom, because the man who died was loved and admired by all who knew him.

Mr. Salling had not been feeling well all summer and fall, but he did not leave his work until November 30. From that time on he was under constant medical care. December 17 he was taken to Harper hospital in Detroit, accompanied by Mrs. Salling and Dr. C. R. Keyport, where he died late in the forenoon of Friday, December 21. The remains were brought to Salling's home in Grayling where they remained until burial, Monday afternoon, December 24.

Funeral services were held at the Salling home for the family and intimate friends of the deceased, after which services were held at the Danish-Lutheran church. Rev. Kjoehede and Rev. J. Herman Baughn of the Michelson Memorial church offered prayer in English and Danish. The Danish Lutheran choir rendered three selections in Danish, "Jesus Kom Dog Nær Til Mig," "Doden Er Den Sidste Fjende," and "Deilig Er Jorden." Mrs. Roy Malmberg sang, "I shall See Him Face to Face." Those who mourned the deceased were Mrs. Victor Salling, wife; Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Melstrup of Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Davidson of Bay City; Miss Kristine Salling of Ypsilanti; Mrs. John Pettit and Miss Marion Salling of Grayling. Others from out of town who attended the funeral were Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Westcott and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Routier of Detroit. Many beautiful wreaths and sprays were sent by relatives and friends in memory of the deceased.

Victor Emanuel Christian Salling was born in Skanborg, Denmark, January 28, 1858. He was the only son of Christian Salling, a Danish merchant. He grew to manhood in Skanborg, Denmark, and was educated in Danish schools. At that time there were many young men leaving Denmark and coming to America, among whom were some friends and relatives of Mr. Salling. The letters and news of America that came back persuaded Mr. Salling to try his fortune in the new country. In August, 1887 the three weeks trip across the Atlantic was made. After spending a month in Manhattan, he came to Grayling where with exception of one year spent in Standish, he has since resided. One year after Mr. Salling's arrival in America his sweetheart, Kristine Hanson came from Denmark to Grayling, where she and Mr. Salling were united in marriage in September, 1888.

Six children were born, five daughters, Elizabeth, now Mrs. Spencer Melstrup of Detroit; Marion, Elsie, now Mrs. John Pettit, Louise, now Mrs. Gordon Davidson of Bay City and Kristine, who is attending the Michigan State Normal College at Ypsilanti and one son, Christian who died in infancy.

Mr. Salling was for some time manager of the Salling Hanson Co., department store and later manager of that company's hardware store, the position he held at the time of his death. He has been a well known resident of Grayling for many years. He was a nephew of the late N. P. Salling, senior partner of the firm of Salling Hanson company. He is also survived by two sisters, Annette Klock of Shive, Denmark and Mrs. Olga Reutloff of Hammet, Denmark.

The memory of Mr. Salling will long be revered by his family, and many friends.

Year about one half million children had received it. When it was begun the deaths in N. Y. City from diphtheria were nearly 1200 a year and in 1922 they were only a little over 500.

Some people are naturally immune. If a mother is immune her child will be immune for about one year. From one to three years all children are apt to take diphtheria. This is the most dangerous period of their lives. Year by year as they grow older a greater percentage of them develop their own immunity.

Nevertheless one half of the children do not develop this immunity and are therefore apt to take diphtheria. The Schick test will prove whether they are immune or not. The toxin-anti-toxin will give them immunity for a period of years, probably for life. It is given in three very small doses one week apart.

It is being given in cities and villages and rural communities. See that your child gets it.

The play opened with neighborly discussion on the way home from the lecture.

In the second act the children were shown being given the toxin-anti-toxin by the Doctor as they passed in line before him.

The last act showed the homes of Mrs. Black where Jean is just convalescing and her mother is condoling Mrs. Brown on the loss of her boy by the same disease.

The play ended in a dance and song by children, who have taken the prevention against diphtheria.



## MORE CONTAGIOUS CASES REPORTED

Since our last edition several additional cases of scarlet fever have developed. While all are of mild form, it still behooves the public to aid in breaking up the epidemic by helping prevent its spread.

The latest quarantine should be strict and young children not permitted to congregate any more than is necessary. All cases of sore throat should be reported to a physician or health officer promptly, and all cases where children appear to have a temperature should likewise be reported. This appears to be about the best plan for checking this disease.

Several local children are taking serum treatment for prevention against diphtheria, and it is unlikely that this disease cannot be controlled. Such treatments, it is claimed by the medical profession, will immunize a child for the remainder of its life. It is simple and not painful and does not cause illness. A child may continue in its regular pursuits of work or play without interruption after receiving the treatment. It requires three applications, one week apart.

If every parent and member of the families use reasonable precaution this present epidemic of scarlet fever may soon be checked.

Mrs. Squires, our public health nurse, requests that we ask the people to please report all cases of sore throat and illness to a physician at once. It is reasonable to believe everyone will want to do as she suggests.

## MUST SHOW 1924 LICENSE JAN. 1

SHERIFF DIRECTED TO INFORCE LAW.

Peter F. Jorgenson, Sheriff, Grayling, Michigan.

You can do the Motor Vehicle owners of your city and county a service by calling attention in your local newspapers that to secure 1924 License plates, the Title of the car they desire to register must be presented to be stamped at the time application for License is made. You are further authorized to state that there will be no extension of time for 1924 registration and that every person who operates a motor vehicle after midnight, December 31, 1923, without 1924 License plates does so in violation of the law.

Certificate of Title. No used car will be titled by this State unless the application for same is approved by the Chief of Police or Sheriff of the city or county in which the applicant resides.

To approve such an application, it will be necessary for you to thoroughly investigate the ownership, also see to it that the engine and serial numbers have not been tampered with, then if satisfied, that Certificate of Title should be issued to applicant attach your letter head giving approval, being sure applicant's name and description of car are given.

Where applicant cannot give you satisfactory proof of ownership, hold motor vehicle until he can do so.

Address all communications concerning above to:

Charles J. DeLand, Secretary of State, Motor Vehicle Title Division.

## MASONIC SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

GRAYLING, ROSCOMMON AND LEWISTON LODGES TO MEET HERE JAN. 2.

A Masonic school of instruction will be held in Grayling Temple, F. & A. M. on Wednesday night, January 2, for the local lodge and also the lodges of Roscommon and Lewiston.

Work in the first degree will be conferred by Grayling lodge. Grand Lecturer Gilbert will be in charge of the work. All members of these lodges are cordially invited to attend the meeting, which will begin at 7:30 o'clock p.m. Special notice is called to the change in the meeting night from the regular Thursday night to Wednesday night. Members please be present.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Michelson Memorial church will meet at the home of Mrs. E. N. Darveau, Friday, January 4, 1924.

## DISEASE TREATED BY ELECTRIC HEAT

MEDICAL DIATHERMY ADDED BY LOCAL PHYSICIAN.

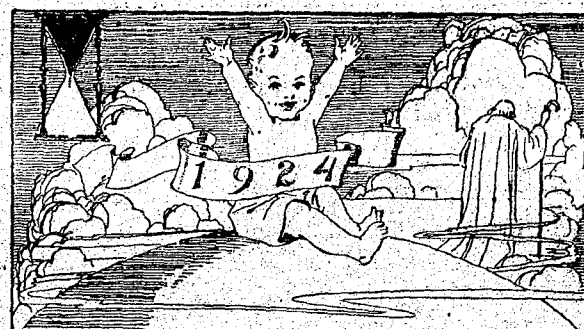
Latest Improved Method for Treatment of Many Diseases.

Less poultices, less hot water bottles and other artificial applications for the treatment and relief from inflammatory diseases, infected tissues, poor blood circulation or high blood pressure, chilly feelings, loss of appetite, insomnia, mental depression, no energy, lack of physical strength, headaches and dozens of other ailments. "Medical diathermy" is the latest improved method for treatment of many diseases. This is used in the form of electricity and is so directed and controlled that even deep seated ailments are reached with a positiveness and rapidity that is surprising.

The writer was invited to the office of Dr. H. H. Pool to witness a demonstration of the Diathermy and it proved to be a revelation, the way that electric current may be controlled and directed in the treatment of disease. It makes no difference whether or not the diseases is superficial or deep seated, it is reached quickly and positively. It may even be used in treatment of the heart and brain. Of course common electric current will not alone do these things, however when harnessed and controlled thru the Diathermy, producing high and low frequency of current, and applied with an understanding and knowledge in the treatment of disease, it becomes a power.

Dr. Pool states that he has been waiting to get one of the machines over since he started in business in Grayling and it is only because of their high cost that he has deferred the purchase until this time. There have been a couple of cases, he says, that he had to give up as he was unable to help them, that he could have cured by the use of the Diathermy.

While the Diathermy is not going to replace medicine and surgery, it is going to be an enormous aid to these forms of treatment, and will enable the treatment of many cases that may not readily respond to the use of medicines.



## On top of the World

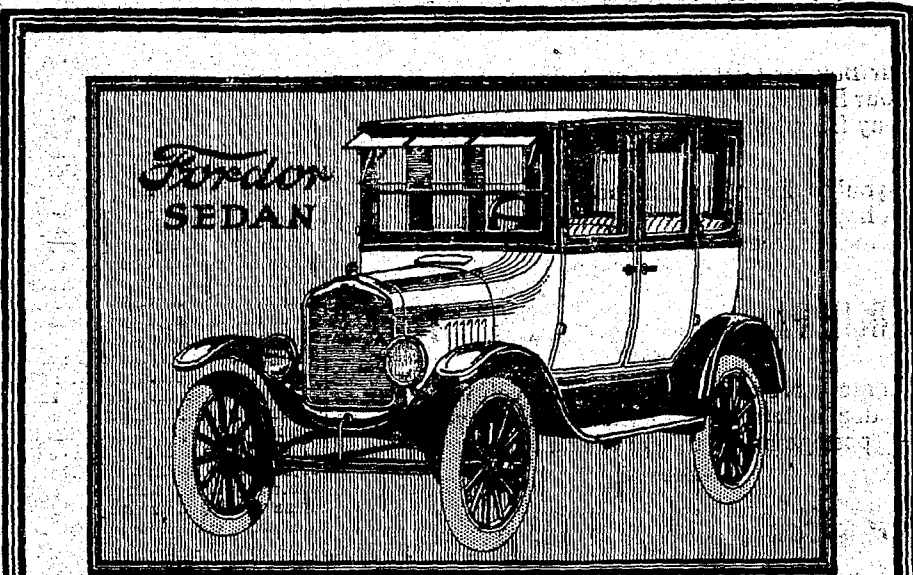
That's the way we should all feel about the wonderful new year.

Business was never better; everyone who wants to work can find plenty to do, and at good wages.

Let us step forth with a firm determination to make 1924 the banner year of them all.

One good way to accomplish this is to keep up a spirit of optimism that will prove a fountain of inspiration for every person in our community. If all will do that 1924 will be a winner.

## Crawford Avalanche



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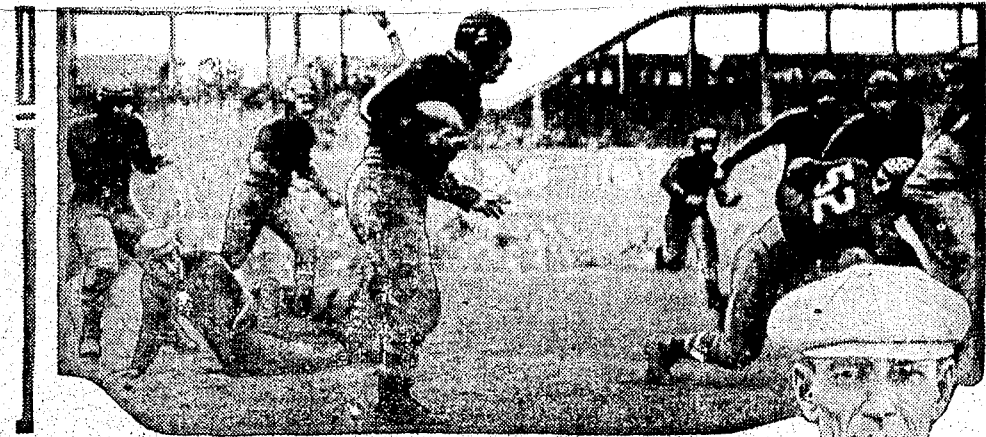
It comes back cleaner than I can possibly get it, ironed just as good as I can iron it, and the cost is less than I can do the work myself.

Try it one week and you will never again do your own washing.

Grayling Laundry Company



## WONDERFUL RECORD MADE BY CORNELL FOOTBALL SQUAD



Coach G.H. Doble of the Cornell football team, shown in the inset, is credited with the wonderful record this squad has made in the last three years. Photograph shows Pfann, the clever field general of Doble's powerful eleven, getting away on a run, aided by perfect interference, which netted a thirty-five-yard gain for the Cornellians in the recent Columbia game.



## English Admit Yankees

**Quicker on Polo Field**  
English polo players admit the game as played in America against Americans is too speedy for them and they are a unit in declaring their own methods must be faster or their showing in the international matches in 1924 will not be any better than it was in 1923.

Americans, they assert, play at twice their speed. "They make every shot," says Lord Cholmondeley, one of the best players in the British isles, "by not touching the pony's mouth. They take their man at once instead of waiting for him to hit the ball; and they take the ball if possible before it hits the boards, should it be going on to them, and so speed up the game."

Since their experience against American fours, the English poloists believe the Yankee style is the best and they plan to use it in coming seasons. From now on, they will strive for team play instead of being four individuals chasing the ball. They realize the necessity of having three or more capable reserve players ready to step into the lineup who will function as well or better than the regulars.

## Robertson Is Choice



Lawson Robertson, University of Pennsylvania coach, was unanimously recommended by the A. A. U. convention in Detroit, as its choice for head track coach of the 1924 Olympic team. This recommendation will in all probability be accepted by the executive committee of the American Olympic association. Robertson was assistant to Coach Moakley at the last Olympic.

## Has Tricky Fadeaway

Babe Ruth frankly admits that he never faced a pitcher who troubled him quite as much as "Shucks" Pruett of the Browns. Pruett, with his peculiar slow fadeaway, has struck Ruth out about every other time he has faced him.

## IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

New York city is the greatest sporting center in the world.

Expert says it takes nerve to be a golf player. Even takes nerve to dress like one.

Man of War, the wonder horse of the American turf, won 20 races out of 21 events.

John J. McGraw's salary as manager of the New York Giants is estimated at \$50,000 a year.

To satisfy their love for outdoor sports inhabitants in New York city spent close to \$10,000,000 during the 1923 season. The chief sports were boxing, baseball and racing.

A hint from Cincinnati is that the management of the Reds would eagerly consider offers of a trade for Sam Bohn.

Mexico City now has three country clubs, in addition to numerous tennis, football, riding, baseball, rowing and polo clubs.

The twenty-fourth annual American Bowling congress will set another record entry mark with about 2,200 teams competing.

According to Coach Zuppke of Illinois football players need big feet to enable them to keep their balance when they are hit hard.

Swimming is the leading sport of the Hawaiian islands, followed by tennis, golf, polo, football, basketball, volleyball and baseball.

The University of Pennsylvania has 60 candidates for the boxing teams. They will meet teams from West Point, Penn State, Massachusetts Tech., Colgate and possibly Yale.

## Great Friend of Benz

Joe O'Neill, late traveling secretary of the White Sox, used to room much of the time on the road with Joe Benz, pitcher, and dearly loved to put up jokes on the "meatball hurler."

Late one night O'Neill pounded heavily on their door, which was unlocked, by the way. After a long time Benz appeared, rubbing his eyes sleepily.

O'Neill was in his stocking feet, carrying his shoes under his arm. "I didn't want to disturb you, so I took them off," he said.

## FEW PLAYERS STAND DIAMOND GRIND LONG

## Cobb Has Stood Acid Test of 18 Years of Playing.

It is unusual for a really great athlete to last long. He works so hard that he wears out a lifetime of energy in a brief space. Occasionally a man comes up to the top who continues to star for a half-dozen years; a rarely appears and holds his place for a dozen years, but once it is given any man to observe a star athlete who can continue to shine through a dozen and a half years.

For instance—of the 400 players in the major league 12 years ago, only 13 are still in the majors. One of these was out of the game for a time, so that only 12 have served continuously for the period of 12 years. Thus one man in forty is able to hold his own for the brief space of 12 years.

Of the approximately 350 players who were in the major leagues 18 years ago, only one remains. Since that time it is likely that 5,000 men have been in the majors only to pass out. Which proves that this one man who has survived the acid test of 18 years of starring must be some physical miracle to be the sole survivor of 5,350 men.

This man is Ty Cobb, manager and center fielder of the Tigers. He is going in for another year of strenuous athletics, again next season, and probably for a season or two after that.

Only four men in the major leagues are with the clubs they were in 1911. They are Ty Cobb, Walter Johnson, Max Carey and Zach Wheat. Adams is back with Pittsburgh, but he was out in the Western league for a time and he doesn't count. The other veterans of a dozen years in the majors are Eddie Collins, Harry Hooper, John Collins, Jack Quinn, Jake Daubert, Tris Speaker, Walter Johnson, Stuffy McInnis and Rube Marquard.

Of the whole lot, Cobb, dean of the bunch, is still probably the best player, but Speaker, Eddie Collins and Daubert are still good.

## Batters Need Nerve for Hard Hitting, Says Wheat



Hitting depends entirely on a player's nerve, in the opinion of Zach Wheat, heavy-hitting outfielder of the Brooklyn National league club.

"A player who lacks courage always can be found well down in the averages," says Wheat. "Baseball's best hitters, like Ruth, Cobb, Speaker, Hornsby, Bellman and Roush, are both nerve and confident. They know how to pull themselves out of a batting slump."

"When I fail to hit I know I am doing something wrong at the plate and try to correct the fault. I know there isn't anything the matter with the bat, the ball or the umpire. It is my own fault, and no one can make me get back into my stride except Old Man Wheat himself."

## Honor Former Trainer

University of Pennsylvania Varsity club has erected at the south gate leading into Franklin field a memorial tablet in recognition of the services of Michael C. Murphy, who was coach of the track teams and trainer of football players from 1896 to 1900, and again from 1905 to 1912, when he died.

The tablet records that Mike Murphy was a "famous trainer of many victorious teams," and contains one of his oft-quoted sayings. "You can't lick a team that won't be licked." The tablet was dedicated when Cornell played football there Thanksgiving day.

## Sande Won Initial Race on Arizona Fair Track

Earl Sande, who rode Zev to victory against Papyrus the pride of England, first appeared at a race track eight years ago when at Arizona's state fair he asked for a chance to ride. Finally they gave it to him, and mounted the slim, freckle-faced boy on a horse with a reputation of pulling up at the end of a race with its rider missing. "Sandy" let loose pandemonium in the stands by thundering across the white line several lengths ahead of them all.

## French Boxing.

In deciding next year's French military boxing championships, qualifying rounds will be held in various cities where the troops are quartered. The bout will take place February 1 to 10 and the finals in Paris, February 27 to 29.

## Marines Get Two Stars.

Kipke and Uteritz, University of Michigan all-American football half and quarterback respectively, may join Devil Dogs upon receiving their diplomas next June.

## Grand Circuit Statistics.

During last season's renewal of the Grand circuit harness season there were 284 races contested at the 12 meetings, of which 150 were for trotters and 108 for pacers. The latter raced 347 heats and the trotters 442. The purses amounted to \$379,896.75.

## Poland in Olympics.

For the first time since the revival of the Olympic games in 1896, athletic teams from Poland will be represented in Paris next year. They will compete in the track and field events, swimming, wrestling and bicycle racing.

## Big Myny Golf Links.

Atlanta's municipal golf links are expected to produce \$10,000 this year. Nearly 50,000 enthusiasts have visited the public links this year and additional facilities are contemplated.

## A Big Organization.

The National Association of Professional Baseball Players includes 1 major league and 225 minor leagues in which several thousand players are enrolled.

## Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

by MARY GRAHAM BONNER

## THE CHRISTMAS TREAT

"Twelve little children from the hospital had been taken for a Christmas treat," said Daddy, "and I am going to tell you just what they saw. They were taken to the city shops."

"Of course they saw any number of dolls and trains and toys and books and they went into all the big shops and also looked in all the windows."

"In one store there was a great big make-believe lion and by him was an enormous make-believe lioness and they had long manes and heads that moved up and down and from side to side."

"The children put their hands in the lion's mouth and in the mouth of the lioness, and of course nothing happened because the lion and lioness were not real though they looked so life-like."

"In one window there was a great scene. There were double tracks and along one went a local train and along the other an express train."

"There were tunnels and bridges and most gorgeous signals which lighted up. And there were houses and garages standing about and trees and poles with make-believe telegraph wires. And there was a junction where the train stopped."

"It was just exactly like a make-believe town—in fact it looked like a real town."

"Every once in a while a plane came down over the town and a make-believe monkey landed on the ground."

"Every one crowded around this window, men and women, boys and girls."

"Then the children saw toy ponds in which were goldfish, and even in a little pond of water which had been put in the toy village to look like a lake were goldfish swimming about."

"They went to look at themselves in a mirror where as they looked one way it appeared as though they were short and fat and when they looked another way it made them appear to have great enormously long faces and little bodies."

"Such laughter as there was about these mirrors!"

"Then they went into one store where Santa Claus took them and showed them all the toys and gave



What Fun It Was.

them each a letter from his pack and a little cardboard toy for each one and a gay picture of himself.

"And what fun it was, as you can imagine, to have such a treat as this. They saw toy villages where there were little street lights and houses with most superior hedges and garden plots and in the houses the rooms could be seen and the stairways."

"Then they took a ride with Santa Claus in a beautiful kind of merry-go-round which he had."

"It played tunes and the seats in it were made to look like different kinds of animals, and in the center was a great pole which looked as though it were covered with ice and snow, and which was supposed to be the North Pole."

"Then Santa Claus told them all to wave a good-by as they went for their ride and the other children who waited in line for the next ride when it would be their turn jumped up and down with glee at the thought of their turn coming next."

"They sang with Santa Claus and he called some of them, 'dear' and some of them 'sweetheart' and all sorts of pet names."

"Oh, it was nice to be called a pet name by none other than good old Santa Claus."

"They saw toys of every kind, toy butcher shops with make-believe pieces of meat hanging up."

"They saw all kinds of mechanical toys and even saw electric lights in one of the houses for dolls."

"But they thought they would rather own a somewhat cosier kind of a doll's house."

"Oh, it was a beautiful afternoon with so much to see and do. And they all had some candy later and then they rode home, singing as they went."

"The children called it whole moon and the moon blinked and grinned and said to himself:

"Well, I am glad to have come out in time to see these children and their Christmas treat—even if it's only the very end of it that I see!"

"And the getting well took so much about a time it seemed because of the many thoughts and memories the treat left with them."

## Simplified Anatomy.

Mary had been spanked by her mother. She was crying in the hallway when the minister entered.

"Well, what's the matter with my little girl today?" he inquired.

"It hurts, my dear!" "What hurts, my dear?" "The back of my lap."

## Time for Repairs.

Teacher—Johnny, suppose a clock strikes thirteen. What time is it? Johnny—Time to get it fixed.

## Frock of Persian Print;

## Cloth Coats of Regal Splendor

A PRINTED chiffon afternoon frock is indeed "a thing of beauty and a joy forever." Seeing proves the first part of this statement and wearing will confirm the fact of just such a gown being "a joy forever."

In the category of esthetic dress there is no more reliable frock than the one made of printed chiffon. With its fragile loveliness of delicate fabric, glowing with wealth of color and design, it has its practical qualities. The very fact that it reveals in such multiplicity of color, fits it into every scheme of environment as if it were a part of the picture. "What shall I wear?" that ever-tantalizing

class of strictly fashionables. This season, however, marks a sensational entry of the cloth coat of regal splendor into the ranks of winter wrap aristocracy.

There is considerable interest manifested in coat fabrics which simulate caracul fur or black broadtail and there are boucle woollens which can scarcely be distinguished from astrakhan. The latter is quite the rage for short jackets and is variously trimmed in taupe fox fur or gray mouton, matched to the body color of the garment.

The elegance of a coat of beige caracul fur-cloth is apparent in the



Afternoon Frock of Printed Chiffon.

question is happily answered when it comes to afternoon occasions and informal after-dinner affairs by the chiffon frock portrayed herewith.

As if the handsomely designed Persian printed chiffons were not sufficiently exquisite, genius has gone a step further and added multi-colored beads and regal fur until the ensemble becomes almost a surfeit of alluring loveliness.

The elegant band of silver fox on the frock in the picture expresses the spirit of the times, for fashion decrees that this shall be a year of fur.

The entire length of this graceful Russian blouse effect is frogged with

handsome wrap shown on the figure to the left in the accompanying illustration. The handsome appearance of this coat is largely accomplished through its unique and generous adjustable collar, and the fanciful flowing sleeves, so elegantly tasseled in perfect match to the tie of the heavy silk cord. The lining of this garment is superb, being of silk crepe.

One of the newest accepted colors for the cloth coat is bottle green. The bolivia coat to the right in this picture exploits this modish shade. To the sleeves is given the honor of carrying the major part of the embroidery, which is developed with etruscan



Winter Coats of Cloth Fabrics.

tabs made of very handsome multi-colored beads. Many of the richest printed chiffon dresses are neatly trimmed in beads. The effect is exquisite, for the colors in the Persian design and those in the beads seem to reflect each other's beauty.

Time was when nothing other than an all-fur coat of many hundred dollars' value made one eligible to the

gold and bronze metal threads. Kollasky fur collars and cuffs this modish wrap and there is an element of novelty in the pocket made of the fur.

Julia Bottomley  
(© 1923, Western Newspaper Union.)

## Fancy Hatband.

One of the smartest white felt sports hats of the season has a band of white buckskin embroidered in red and blue, and a white envelope purse embroidered to match.

## Old Spanish Designs.

The newest head bags have patterns that are adapted from old Spanish and Moorish designs. They are large and square and are drawn up by heavy silk cords.

## Blue Taffeta Beaded Bag.

Beaded bags are beaded bags—and therefore attract the average feminine eye. One particularly stunning bag is of blue taffeta beaded in steel, with a long, loopy beaded binding.

## More Footstools.

If you have a davenport or couch in your living room, you and your guests will appreciate one of those long, low footstools that are being displayed in the furniture stores.

## PEAK DECAPITATED BY QUAKE

Alpinists Find Huge Granite Block Undermined by Deep Crevices of Mount Gallo.

Mount Gallo, a peak 7,000 feet high, in the lower Engadine, has been decapitated by an earthquake. When the Zurich observatory registered the Japan earthquake shock it also reported slight shocks in the canton of Grisons, in Switzerland. Alpinists from Maloja who recently climbed Mount Gallo found, that its top, a huge granite block, undermined by deep crevices, had fallen into a ravine several thousand feet below.

## DEMAND "BAYER" ASPIRIN

Aspirin Marked With "Bayer Cross" Has Been Proved Safe by Millions.

Warning! Unless you see the name "Bayer" on package or on tablets you are not getting the genuine Bayer Aspirin proved safe by millions and prescribed by physicians for 23 years. Say "Bayer" when you buy Aspirin. Imitations may prove dangerous.—Adv.

## Velocity of Light.

The first determination of the velocity of light was made by Romer in 1676. The method was based upon the observation of the eclipses of Jupiter's satellites, phenomena of frequent recurrence and easy of observation. Assuming that light requires time wherein to move from place to place through space, the interval between successive eclipses would appear too short when the earth is approaching Jupiter and too long when the earth is receding therefrom. Romer found in his observations that such was the case, and that the interval was conditioned by the rate of speed at which the earth changed places relatively with Jupiter. From these constants Romer computed that light expended about 16 1/2 minutes in crossing the earth's orbit. From this is deduced a velocity of about 186,500 miles a second.

## "DANDELION BUTTER COLOR"

A harmless vegetable butter color used by millions for 50 years. Drug stores and general stores sell bottles of "Dandelion" for 35 cents.—Adv.

## Reduction in Spots.

Skinner had invented a new hair restorer, and had sent a large number of sample bottles out to various well-known people in the hope of securing some testimonials for advertising purposes.

"I don't know whether to publish this testimonial or not," he said to a friend who was calling upon him as he was opening the letters.

"What does it say?" inquired the other.

"Well, it says," said the proud inventor, "Before I used your hair restorer I had three bald patches. Now I have only one."—Minneapolis Tribune.

## "CASCARETS" FOR LIVER AND BOWELS—10c A BOX

Cures Biliousness, Constipation, Sick Headache, Indigestion, Drug Stores, Adv.

## The Wise Aunt.

With the aid of an uplifted candle, a very selfish girl was gazing into a mirror, at the same time going through various incantations. Her aunt, happening into the room, asked what it was all about.

"You are supposed to see the one you love best," explained the girl. "But I presume you don't believe in these experiments?"

"I think this one will be a success," responded her aunt quietly.

Watch Cuticura Improve Your Skin. In rising and retiring gently smear the face with Cuticura Ointment. Wash off Ointment in five minutes with Cuticura Soap and hot water. It is wonderful what Cuticura will do for poor complexions, dandruff, itching and red, rough hands.—Advertisement.

## Chopped From Asphalt.

After chopping with axes for more than two hours, workmen succeeded in rescuing a man from a block of asphalt where he had been imbedded all night, at Canton, O. He had fallen over a small embankment into a pool of warm asphalt while walking near an asphalt plant the night before his discovery. In the meantime the asphalt hardened. He apparently suffered no serious effects.

## Keep Well! Avoid Sickness.

Take Brandreth Pills. One or two at bed time will cleanse the system, purify the blood and keep you well.—Adv.

## A True Helmsman.

The Welfare Worker—Is it true that your husband does absolutely nothing toward the support of his family?

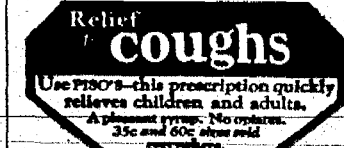
The Laundress—No, it ain't true. Why, he hardly ever goes out in his flannel but he brings back a washin' for me to do.

A Simple, Safe, Sure Remedy for all local aches and pains due to taking cold or over exertion is an Allcock's Plaster.—Adv.

Many a girl doesn't realize how well off she was until after she gets a husband.

## Hall's Catarrh Medicine

Hall's Catarrh Medicine is a Combined local and Internal, and has been successful in the treatment of Catarrh for over forty years. Sold by all druggists. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio



## DON'T RUB!

INFLAMED LIPS It increases the irritation. Use MITCHELL'S LIP BALM, a simple, effective remedy. 35c at all druggists. Made at New York City.













## Good Wishes for 1924

May it bring forth to you bounteous blessings and happiness and an abundance of prosperity. This is our sincere wish to the many patrons of this store.

You by your patronage, have helped to make our business a success. We are indeed grateful and extend our most sincere thanks.



## Locals

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1923.

Clare Cameron is spending Christmas with friends in Grayling.

Miss Beatrice Fales spent Xmas in Beaver Falls the guest of her parents.

Silk dresses of latest design at Redson & Cooley's Friday, Saturday and Monday.

Get your party dress at Redson & Cooley's special sale, Friday, Saturday and Monday. New goods.

Mrs. Winifred Cohen of Detroit and Miss Helen Weinberg of Saginaw are guests of Mrs. A. Kraus.

Clarence and Carl Johnson are spending the holidays with their parents Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Johnson.

Mrs. M. Cronover and her son Oscar Smith are spending the holidays with Mrs. Cronover's brother, Walter Smith at Alba.

Mrs. B. A. Cooley left Wednesday with her grandson Samuel Gust to spend a few days in Vanderbilt with her daughter.

Mrs. Grant Thompson and little son of Bay City are visiting for a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Gothro.

Miss Mildred Corwin, who is attending the Mt. Pleasant Normal school this year is home for the holidays visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Corwin.

John Phelps, who is attending the Flint Junior College, is spending a few days of his holiday vacation with Grayling friends, a guest while here of Herman Hanson.

Clifford Crane, physical instructor and basket ball coach of our schools was called to Flint Friday by the very serious illness of his brother. Mrs. Crane accompanied him.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold McNeven and daughter Gloria of Detroit are spending the holidays here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Olson and Mr. and Mrs. William McNeven.

Messrs. Elmer Rasmussen and Walter Miller motored up from Monroe and spent Saturday and Sunday visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Rasmussen and other relatives.

Jay Ostrander is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Perry Ostrander.

Jess Sales of Detroit came home Saturday to spend Christmas visiting his mother, Mrs. Flagg.

Skovgaard, the Danish violinist will give a concert here January 11, under the auspices of the Woman's club.

Mrs. Miles McDonnell of Kawkawlin was a Christmas guest of her daughter, Mrs. M. A. Atkinson and family.

Miss Clara Nelson is home from Royal Oak spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lars Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Simpson of Detroit visited over Xmas with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Sweeney.

The regular meetings of Grayling Chapter O. E. S. No. 83 have been changed to the first Wednesday evening of each month. Next regular meeting, January 2nd.

Charles Eagles of Flint was in the city this week shaking hands with old friends. Nine years ago Mr. Eagles was the boilermaker at the Michigan Central round house in this city.

Nometal will keep the wind and cold out of your doors and windows and save in your fuel bill. They are inexpensive. Leave orders at the Avalanche office. T. E. Douglas.

Mrs. Margaret Squires, our much appreciated public health nurse, is enjoying a pleasant visit from her sister, Miss Cora Allison of Ypsilanti. Miss Allison is assistant professor of Latin at the State Normal college.

The Christmas tree and exercises given for the children of St. Mary's church in the hall over the Burke garage last Saturday evening was enjoyed not only by the children but a number of the parents also. The program was in charge of Mrs. Walter Naeu. Each child received a stocking filled with candy and nuts.

An out-of-doors band concert was given by the local band the Friday night before Christmas; a mosquito made its appearance in the office Monday afternoon and trailing arbutus were picked in a swamp near Grayling last weekend. The weather is no longer to be taken as a matter of fact. We may all be going south for the winter without our knowledge.

Miss Irma Ostrander is the guest of Mrs. Earl Whipple and family.

William Anderson of Bay City spent Christmas in Grayling as the guest of John Bruun.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Trudeau of Gaylord spent Christmas with Mr. Trudeau's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Trudo.

Miss Anna Nelson, who is employed in Grand Rapids spent Xmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Nelson and family.

Donald Herrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Herrick drove through from Detroit Sunday to spend Xmas at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Liland Smock are rejoicing over a real Christmas gift, a daughter, Wanda Marie, born Dec. 22 at Mercy Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hewitt and daughter of Cheboygan are spending the holidays with Mrs. Hewitt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cassidy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Routier and son Ralph, of Detroit are spending Christmas with Mrs. Routier's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bauman.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wescott, son Hanson and daughter Helen of Detroit are spending the holidays with Mrs. Wescott's mother, Mrs. J. K. Hanson.

Kenneth Cameron of Detroit is expected to arrive during the holidays to visit his mother and sister Mrs. Mary Cameron and Mrs. C. O. McCullough.

Misses Matilda and Helen Cook, Mr. Jacobson, and Mr. Paulson of Detroit and Harry Cook of Flint are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. John Cook.

Charles Fehr has been ill at his home since Friday of last week. He expects to leave for Detroit or Ann Arbor the latter part of the week for medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams and family spent last week end in Bay City. They are entertaining Mrs. Adams' sister, Miss Edith Alstrom of Detroit and father, Leander Alstrom of Mancelona during the holidays.

Mrs. C. R. Keyport was hostess to the Bridge club Saturday afternoon. Everyone had a very pleasant time. Miss Margaret Bauman held the highest score. Mrs. Ralph Routier of Detroit and Miss Doty of Grand Rapids were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Borchers returned Wednesday afternoon from Bay City where they spent Christmas with Lester McPeak and family. Their little nieces, Genevieve and Ada Jane McPeak accompanied them home for a few days visit.

Election of officers was held Thursday evening, Dec. 20th with following results: W. M., John Bruun; S. W., John C. Yahr; J. W., H. G. Jarmin; Treas., R. D. Connine; Sec., Frank Sales; S. D., James Bowen; J. D. L. J. Kraus; Tyler, L. M. Mead.

Appropriate Christmas services were held in the Danish-Lutheran church on Christmas Eve and again on Christmas morning and large crowds were present at both services. There was special music by the choir and Rev. Kjolhede gave fine sermons.

Many children enjoyed the exercises given by the Michelson Memorial church in the high school auditorium Saturday evening. A musical program was enjoyed. Two large gayly trimmed Christmas trees decorated the stage, from which the children received gifts of candy and oranges.

Herman Doroh is suffering from injuries incurred when he was accidentally struck by a car driven by Leo Skinner Saturday afternoon. The accident occurred on M14 near the bridge crossing the AuSable. A broken leg and a few minor injuries resulted. He is recuperating at Mercy Hospital.

The mild weather has enabled rapid progress to be made on the new bridge which is being constructed on the main stream of the AuSable near Stephan's club houses. This new structure will prove a great benefit to tourists and fishermen as it is one of the only two bridges crossing the AuSable that give access to the many fishing haunts and clubs along the stream.

William Schreiber spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Schreiber, Sr.

Miss Lillian Smith of Detroit is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Smith.

Melvin Bates left Monday for Pontiac where he will spend the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. Ben Jerome.

Frank Tetu and family spent Xmas in West Branch visiting Mrs. Tetu's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith.

The stork beat Santa Claus by two days when he delivered a baby girl to Mr. and Mrs. Neil Matthews Dec. 23rd.

Ernest Duvall and family of Monroe arrived Sunday morning to spend Christmas visiting Mrs. Duvall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Jorgenson.

Hans Petersen left Monday to spend Christmas with his daughter Mrs. James Olson and family of Oxford. Mrs. Petersen left early last week for that place.

M. R. Crowell spent Christmas with his family, who are in East Jordan. He was accompanied by Ray Lee, who went there also to spend Christmas.

Just before the Charity Ball, a three day sale of silk dresses, Friday, Saturday and Monday. New stock just received.

Redson & Cooley.

C. J. Hathaway, Optometrist of Pontiac is in Grayling at his old stand for a couple of days. He arrived yesterday and will remain until tomorrow afternoon. While here he is also calling on his old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Adler Jorgenson left Saturday night for Ypsilanti where they spent Christmas with their son Benton and family. Mr. Jorgenson returned Tuesday night, Mrs. Jorgenson remaining for a longer visit.

The Grayling Independents won their 5th game of the basketball season, 1st Saturday night by defeating the Vanderbilt Tigers on the home floor. The game was a purely one-sided affair, the score being 38 and 8. There was not the crowd present that usually attends the Independent games, owing no doubt to people doing late Christmas shopping. It is hoped that there will be a good crowd out at the next game which will be played in the near future.

Everyone is looking forward to the event of the holiday season in Grayling. Preparations are being made by the different committees to make the party the finest possible. Plans are being carried out to take care of a large crowd and the high school gymnasium will present a most attractive appearance with its seasonable decorations. Lunch will be served without extra charge. Everyone should take this opportunity to entertain their guests. The tickets are on sale now at \$1.50.

James Hanson and family, the fore part of the week, moved back into their house on Peninsula avenue, which they were forced to leave when fire badly damaged the place in September. N. Schlotz bought the ruined building and had it repaired and remodeled in fine shape both inside and out. Previous to the fire this was used as a boarding and rooming house for teachers and also furnished a fine eating place for office employees and clerks about town. Mrs. Hanson assisted by her daughter Mrs. Ralph Hollowell will resume serving meals and letting rooms.

The usual Christmas services were held at St. Mary's church. The altars with the lighted tapers amid a profusion of pine boughs and clusters of poinsettia and red carnations were beautiful. For the midnight mass the hymnal was rendered by Mrs. Marius Hanson, Miss Lucille Hanson, Mrs. Frank Tetu, A. E. Mason, Alfred Hughes and Joseph Cassidy. Every seat in the church was filled and there were a large number of communicants. Rev. Fr. Bosler delivered an appropriate sermon. At the eight o'clock mass on Christmas morning the girls' choir under the direction of the Sisters of Mercy rendered the music, among which were a couple of violin selections.



Greetings of the season and best wishes for a happy and prosperous 1924 to you all! And may you have many such in the years to come.

We thank you sincerely for the liberal patronage we have received during the past twelve months. You have been generous indeed, which is the best of all evidence that the home store is the nearest of all stores to your heart.

We have endeavored at all times to serve you conscientiously and acceptably in the past and the future will see us putting forth even greater efforts to this end. We hope to see you all throughout the new year, which we trust is to be one of many blessings to our people.

Again, hearty greetings from the management and clerks of this store.



## Grayling Mercantile Company

The Quality Store



Last evening the Sunday school classes of the Danish-Lutheran church and their parents and friends enjoyed their annual Christmas party at Dannebrog hall. The young folks danced around the large brilliantly lighted Xmas tree from which sacks of candy and nuts, oranges and apples were distributed. Late in the evening coffee and cake were served by the Danish Ladies' Aid society. There was a large crowd present.

Grayling High School boys and girls basket ball teams went to Kalkaska last week Friday night and lost both games. The score for the boys game was 13 to 8; for the girls 13 to 7. Those who accompanied the teams report that the local teams received the most unsportsman-like treatment from the Kalkaskians that they were ever accorded. Rules of the game were disregarded time after time, to the advantage of the Kalkaska teams. Grayling teams are known to be good sports even when losing and are always glad to acknowledge the superiority of any teams that may defeat them, but when it is done in a manner that it was reported it was done at Kalkaska, it leaves a very unpleasant memory. When any team goes out to win at any cost or by any means, even if they are unfair, it is time to leave them off their schedule for athletic games.

### FREDERIC NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Barber of Chicago Heights are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Barber.

Mr. and Mrs. James Doyle and daughter Bernida of Flint spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Erve Rowe.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Forbush are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Clarence Shepherd in Roscommon.

Enmet Lewis is spending the week with his family in Detroit.

Mrs. Gannon of Gaylord spent Christmas with her daughter Mrs. Wm. Lewis.

Mrs. James Patterson and Miss Merle Patterson are in Detroit the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Brennan.

Mrs. B. J. Callahan and Mrs. W. E. Lewis motored to Gaylord Friday.

Mrs. A. E. Stannard was in Bay City on business this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gannon and twin daughters visited at the Smock home Tuesday.

Mrs. E. J. Richards is spending the holidays in Flint, the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. Barnes.

Mrs. Earle Quick and daughter Jane, returned to their home in Detroit Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burke were Gaylord shoppers Saturday.

L. A. Gardner is in Cheboygan this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Granger of Grayling spent Christmas with the latter's mother, Mrs. H. Loeman.

Miss Bernice Allen is spending the holiday vacation with her parents in

South Boardman. Miss Erma Craven, a student of C. M. N. S. Mt. Pleasant is spending the holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Craven. Rev. Hart and son Lloyd are in

Ann Arbor, where the latter will undergo a serious operation Wednesday. Chester Burke, who has been working in Mancelona has returned to his home here.



GREETINGS of the new year to you all! May it bring you the best in the land and that which you desire most of all things.

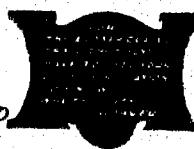
We give you our warmest thanks for the patronage you have extended us in such liberal portions, with the full assurance that no pains will be spared in the coming year to warrant a continuance of your friendship and support.

## SORENSEN BROTHERS

The Home of Dependable Furniture.



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Happy  
New  
Year



Make it one in fact by becoming a steady customer at this store, where you receive courtesy, accommodation, protection and good fellowship. Take your rightful place among the substantial men and women of this community who appreciate good store service, and good groceries, purchasing from this store. We are here to serve you.

And now as this year comes to a close, we wish you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

H. PETERSEN  
Grocer

## WILLYS KNIGHT

Coupe-Sedan

Deluxe \$1550 fob Toledo

### The National Favorite

Weary of folding seats and seat-climbing, the public has literally flocked to the Willys-Knight Coupe-Sedan! Doors front and rear. You enter and leave without awkward contortions. And it has the wonderful Willys-Knight sleeve-valve engine—same type as Panhard, Daimler, and others of Europe's finest cars. See it! Try it!

Other Willys-Knight models: 5-pass. Touring \$1175; 2-pass. Roadster \$1175; 7-pass. Touring \$1325; 5-pass. Coupe-Sedan (Standard) \$1450; 5-pass. Sedan \$1795; 5-pass. Sedan De Luxe \$1895; 7-pass. Sedan \$1995; all prices f.o.b. Toledo. We reserve the right to change prices and specifications without notice.

M. A. Atkinson

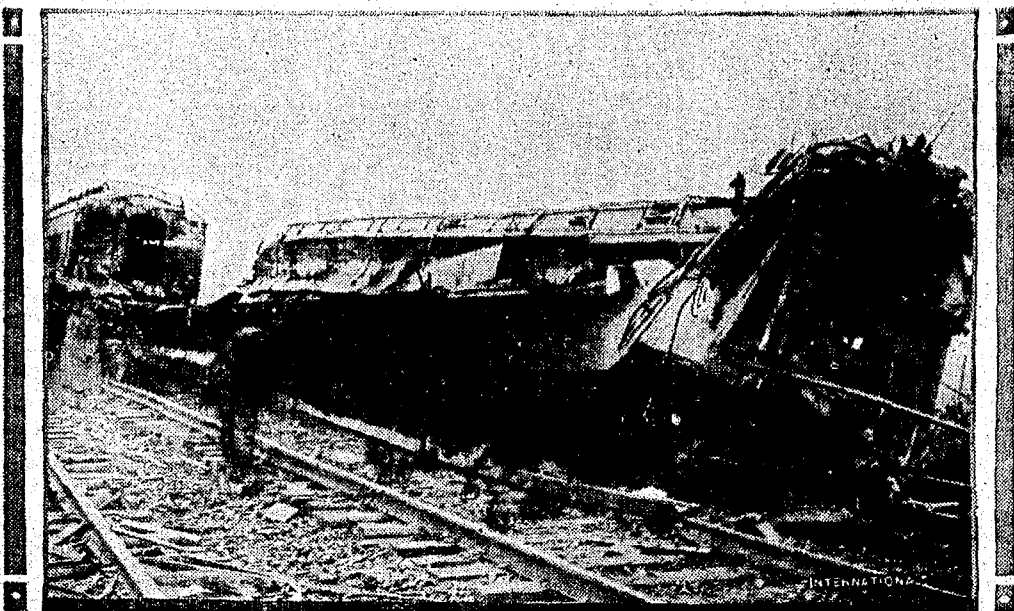
THE DAY OF THE KNIGHT IS HERE







## Wreck of the Twentieth Century in Which 9 Were Killed



View of the wreck of the Twentieth Century train on the New York Central at Forsyth, N. Y., in which nine persons were killed and two score injured. One section of the train hit an automobile and stopped, and another section crashed into it.

## Two Youthful Champions of Ohio



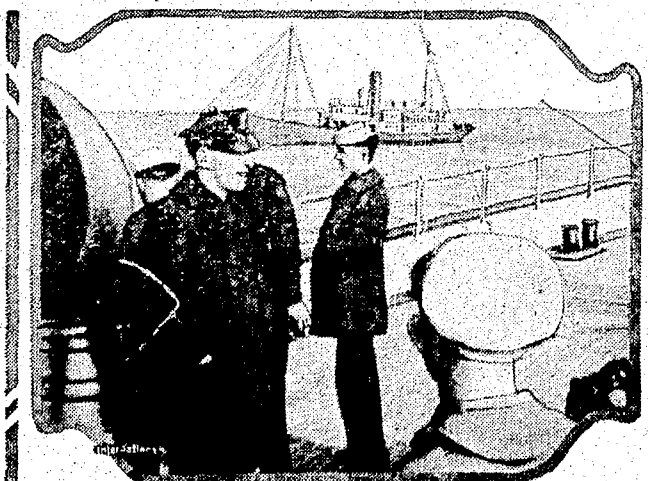
Delbert Mowery, aged fourteen, of Fayette county, is the champion pig club member of the state of Ohio, having raised a Poland China shoat from 68 pounds to 227 pounds in 84 days, at a feed cost of \$8.27—producing 159 pounds of live pork at a cost of 5 and two-tenths cents a pound, with hogs averaging 7 cents a pound. Madeline Fleisch, aged sixteen, of Preble county, is the clothing club champion of the state, having made five dresses and four other garments, and mended 20 garments.

## Cavalry Horses in Clever Stunt



A remarkable picture showing members of Troop E, Third cavalry, of historic Fort Myer, Va., staging a jump in which one of the cavalry horses takes a leap over another. This was one of the thrillers provided for the benefit show for the Army Relief society.

## View of New England's Rum Row



New England, not to be outdone by New Jersey, also has a rum row off its coast. This photograph was taken on board one of the liquor-running vessels that were waiting outside the twelve-mile limit for customers.

## ALL OVER THE WORLD

The average length of the human windpipe is four and one-half inches. Whales and porpoises alone among mammals are destitute of hair. The Victoria Cross was awarded to 71 Canadians in the World war. Manitoba lake, in Canada, is 120 miles in length and 25 miles wide. Less than 15 per cent of the population of France earn more than \$500 a year.

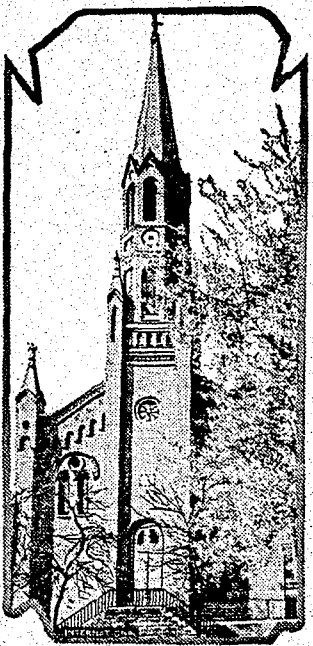
More than 10,000 books were published in England last year. The Mohammedan empire in India was founded in 970. Prior to 1848 the United States had very little gold coin. The skull of a mastodon found in Ohio weighed 300 pounds. The first modern steel frame office building in Japan was constructed in 1920.

## ADVOCATE OF FAGS



Gienna Wedman Day, president of the Student Government association at Pembroke hall, the women's section of Brown university, Providence, R. I., is gathering signatures to a petition asking the faculty to provide a smoking room for the girl students, as well as to grant them permission to puff cigarettes on the campus.

## OLD CHURCH CELEBRATES



This German Methodist church at Belleville, Ill., chartered in 1849, the oldest of its denomination in the United States, has just celebrated its diamond jubilee. One of the charter members, Conrad Kline, ninety-one, still lives.

## FRANCE'S SMALLEST FEET



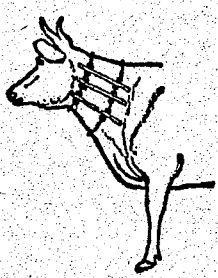
Above are pictured the smallest and most perfect feet in all France. Mme. Martine, wife of the well-known Paris financier, is the possessor of the prize foot, which is hardly six inches long and is comfortably fitted with a size one and a half shoe.

**Sure, He Was Thankful.**  
"I have just called in to say how much I appreciate your treatment."  
"But I am not your doctor, young man!"  
"No. But you were my old uncle's and I am his heir!"—Karkaturen (Christiania).  
**Must Be Ravenous.**  
She—"Why do you paint the inside of a chicken coop?" He—"To keep the hens from picking the grain out of the wood."—Answers.

## DAIRY HINTS

## Device to Prevent Cow From Sucking Herself

It is annoying to say the least when a cow contracts the habit of robbing her own dairy and how best to stop the vice is a problem. In some instances where a cow shows a marked shrink in milk and is not seen to suck herself we have found that the robbing was being done by a calf, or even a yearling, on pasture. The usual treatment in such a case is to put a spiked halter on the robber calf, says a writer in the Successful Farming. Such a contrivance is objectionable in that injuries to the udder may result. The better plan is to prevent the thieving calf from getting at the cow. In another instance campers on the lake at the far side of the farm were doing the robbing, so investigation is necessary in all such cases. When a cow sucks herself there are various methods of prevention, each of which has its advocates. We have often had good results from simply putting an old horse collar upside down on the cow's neck. A "necklace" of pointed lath or small pickets as shown in the illustration proves effective. It is made as follows: Take six pieces of round, light wood about twelve inches long and one and one-half inches in diameter, or pieces of strong lath of similar length, and with small cord passed through holes bored



"Necklace" Prevents Cow From Sucking Herself.

In the round sticks, or tied around the laths, weave them to form an open fence-like necklace to be placed around the cow's neck and secured there by tying together the free ends of the cords. When the cow turns to suck herself the sticks will prevent. Another good plan is to place a strong halter on the neck and a surcingle around the body just behind the elbows. Then put a snap-hook in one end of a piece of fork or broom handle and a ring in the other. Now snap the hook into the hanging ring of the halter, pass the stick between the forelegs and attach the ring in its end to the surcingle, or pass the rope or strap of the surcingle through the ring of the stick. This will stop self-sucking but not prevent eating.

A simpler plan is to put a bull ring in the cow's nose and hang another ring from the first one. That usually works well. If not, then put a common straight bridle bit in the mouth and hold it loosely in place by means of a halter. One man suggests greasing the teats with lard and then sprinkling freely with red pepper. That discourages the cow from sucking herself or being sucked by a calf. A somewhat cruel preventive measure is to put some hog rings in the cow's lips and the latest suggestion, which we do not care to recommend, is to put the rings in the tip of the cow's tongue.

The old-fashioned plan of splitting the cow's tongue for a distance of one and one-half to two inches from its tip has of recent years been improved upon by trained veterinarians who perform the operation according to modern methods of surgery and in such a way as to prevent undue suffering and insure against infection.

## Superior Formula Given to Treat Garget in Cow

Garget often causes considerable loss in the herd. When an animal is found to be suffering from this trouble she should be milked after the remainder of the herd, as the disease may be carried on the hands. After milking, the hands should be washed with a good disinfectant. Milk from the diseased quarters should not be milked on the floor, but into a pail and disposed of. Cows suffering from it may be treated with the following mixture, recommended by the Purdue university dairy department.

Mix eight ounces of vaseline, eight ounces of wool fat, two fluid ounces belladonna, two fluid ounces extract poke root; warm and mix. Massage udder thoroughly. Feed one tablespoonful of powdered poke root and one tablespoonful of saltpeter three feeds, stop three feeds and continue again if necessary. Diseased cows should be isolated from the rest of the herd.

**Cause of Silmy Milk.**  
Silmy or ropy milk is caused by germs that get into the milk after it has been drawn from the cow. It is especially prevalent where cows have access to low, wet pasture, also where cows have access to muddy water.

**Sugar Beets for Milk.**  
Sugar beets are somewhat more valuable for milk production than are mangels. That is, a hundred pounds of sugar beets contain more digestible nutrients than do 100 pounds of mangels.

**Expensive Cow Ration.**  
A ration for dairy cows limited to middlings and ground oats would not only be expensive but it would be ill suited for milk production.

**Hard Combination to Beat.**  
Cheap grain, good cows and a high price for butterfat form a combination which is hard to beat.

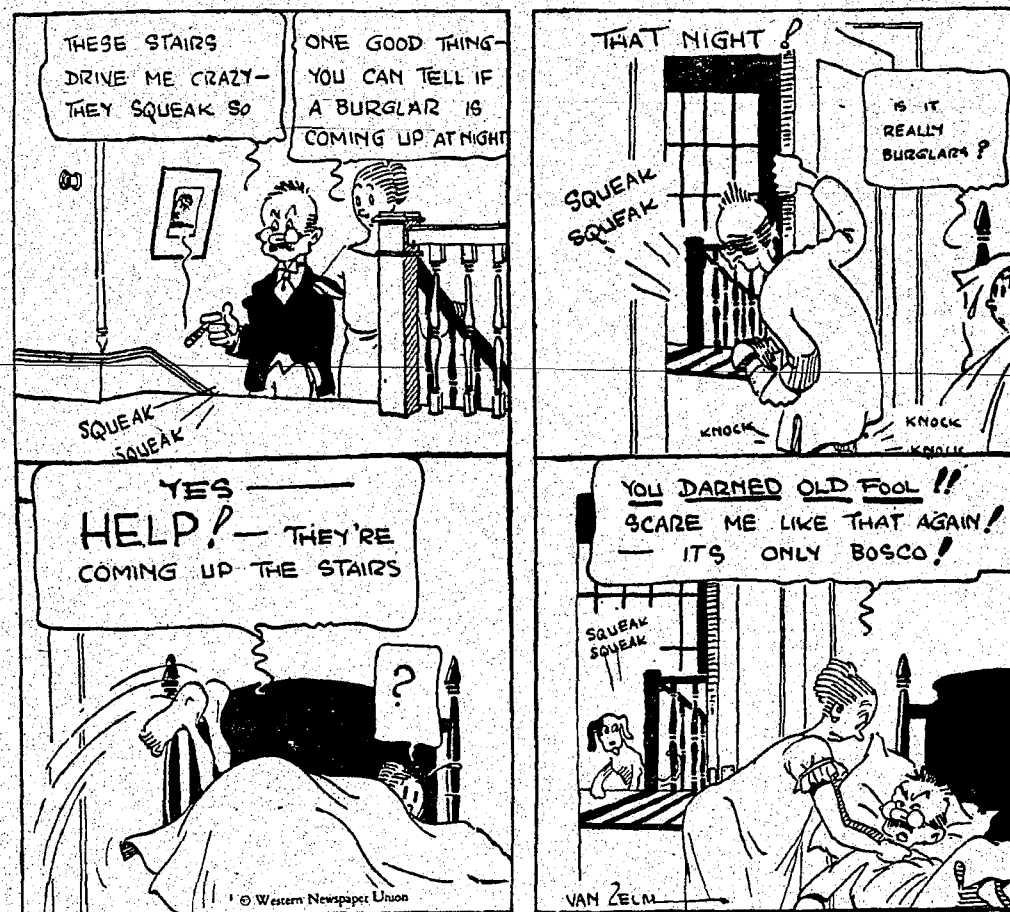
**Exercise for Young Calf.**  
The young calf will need exercise. You can exercise it and teach it to lead at the same time.

## OUR COMIC SECTION

## With a Tin Cup and Red Cap



## How Did Felix Know



## Along the Concrete



## Too Fast for the Milk

Sam had passed through a harrowing experience. He had seen a ghost. While his audience listened with bulging eyes, he related the details of his adventure: "Ah jes' come out of de cowshed," he said, "an' Ah had a bucket o' milk in mah hand. Den Ah hears a noise by de side of de road an' de ghost rushes out!" "Good heavens!" Interrupted one of

his listeners. "Did yo' shake with fright, Sam?" "Ah don't know what Ah shook wid. Ah hain't sayin' for suttin' Ah shook at all. But when Ah got home Ah found all de milk gone an' two pounds o' butter in de bucket."—Life.

**Regarded Salt as Sacred.**  
The Romans regarded salt as a sacred article of food, hence no other dish was allowed to be placed upon the dish before the salt was in position.

**The White Weasel.**  
The ermine, or white weasel, is the smallest of the fur-bearers found in North America. The finest ermine fur comes from Russia and Siberia. In winter the animal is snow white except for a black tip on the end of the tail. In summer it turns brown, and the brown fur is, for this reason, known on the market as "summer ermine."

Fat men convince good cooks that they have not lived in vain.





# FARM BUREAU NOTES

R. D. BAILEY  
County Agricultural Agent

## LIVESTOCK LEGUMES LIMESTONE MEAN PROFITS IN FARMING

Money-Making Idea Number 7.  
Feed milking cows more grain.  
Use this money-making idea.  
Prosperity follows the dairy cow.  
Made Himself a Good Christmas Present.

Mr. John J. McGillis, of County Line Farm, now the owner of five purebred Holsteins, saw on my desk the other day a copy of Eckel's "Dairy Cattle and Milk Production." Glancing it over and seeing some good ideas in here. Get me a copy. He laid the money down for a copy. That copy is now on my desk, ready to be delivered to a young man who is going at it right.

I'll Bet You the Peanuts.  
Yes, I'll bet the peanuts that John has formed a vision or plan in his mind to have a herd of a dozen or fifteen large, clean, big producing Holstein cows in a barn that's warm, clean and handy. If so, I say: "Go to it." Don't you. Could he, or any other Crawford County farmer form a better plan about his business?

Can't Raise the Feed.  
When I urge farmer after farmer to keep adding two cows to the herd each year until the herd numbers ten or twelve good producers, at least many of them answer: "Can't raise the feed."

Just "get a goin'," and manage that farm and that manure pile, intelligently, and stop monkeying with potatoes, and there will be no question about raising the feed for ten or a dozen good cows. Then, the first real prosperity will begin to dawn on that farm.

Get Up Steam With Punk.  
Just as well try to get up steam

with handfuls of straw, rotten boards, and dozy wood when the men are clammimg the bundles into the threshing machine, as to try to do profitable cow keeping, and to bring prosperity to the farm with cows fed on a ration of marsh hay, straw, timothy hay, quack grass hay, cornstalks weathered out for several months, and no grain. Can't be done by any man.

Dried Apples and a Drink of Water.  
You eat a handful of dried apples and take a big drink of ice water for breakfast, and you will be just about as near fed up to pull your end of a crosscut saw all day, as a cow is to do real milk producing on the straw, cornstalk, timothy, quack grass, no grain ration.

Yes, her sides stick out. So will yours on dried apples and water. eeshittttttt.

### Grain is the Stuff.

What you want for your work is bread, meat, beans, etc. What the cow wants to make milk with in a way worth mentioning is legume hay, silage and grain.

Feed Grain.  
Feed grain to your milking cows—one pound of grain to four pounds of milk. If the cow is not worth the grain, get rid of her. Let's not be married to a poor cow. To make large returns from a cow a large yearly production must be had. To do this the flow of milk must be kept up ten or eleven months of the year. Each year the cow yields more protein and mineral matter than has been built into the body of a steer during its whole life. At the same time she is storing considerable protein and mineral matter in the development of her unborn calf.

It is evident, then, that the milking cow needs a liberal supply of protein and mineral matter. Timothy hay, quack grass, marsh hay, straw, cornstalks do not contain much protein or mineral matter. No wonder then that cows slack up on milk, or come out in spring skin poor, or die, when fed these and no grain.

Try the Milkmaker.  
The Crawford Cooperative Marketing Association has shipped in an absolutely balanced grain feed for this very purpose, to advance good dairying in our midst. This feed is called "The Milkmaker." It was prepared on a formula worked out by the Dairy Department of our Agricultural College, to try to put the most feed possible into a ton. It even contains the right amount of calcium carbonate (lime) that should be fed the milking cow.

This feed will make milk if the cow is any good. Some cows aren't.

24 Per Cent.

No cow can do her best on a ration carrying less than 20 per cent

protein. "Milkmaker" is guaranteed to contain 24 per cent protein. Bran contains only 11 per cent protein. What a ton (2000 pounds) of milk-maker contains:  
Ingredient Formula:  
200 lbs.—Corn distillers' grains.  
260 lbs.—Cottonseed meal—43 per cent.  
240 lbs.—Linseed oil meal (O. P.).  
100 lbs.—Peanut meal—prime.  
500 lbs.—Corn gluten feed.  
160 lbs.—Yellow hominy.  
100 lbs.—Ground oats.  
200 lbs.—Wheat standard bran.  
100 lbs.—Wheat standard mid-dlings.  
100 lbs.—Molasses (cane).  
20 lbs.—Salt.  
20 lbs.—Calcium Carbonate.

3000 lbs.—Michigan Milkmaker.

A New Year and a New Chance.  
A new year and a new chance to forget old mistakes in farm management and to do better is right here. Come up to the little office and see the County Agent. I keep matches and good tobacco there for my friends who smoke. While you are enjoying your pipe, let's plan things out. Forget your failure.

Forget.

Life is too brief

To hug regret or hold a hidden grief.

Begin your day-book with a brand-new leaf.

Nor sow the Future from a shrank-en withered sheaf.

Forget It.

A satisfactory amount of prosperity is possible for every Crawford County farm home, whose head will intelligently take hold of opportunities that are here.

Agent in preparing for the season. Inviting you to use your County and the successes of 1924, I wish my farmer friends a Happy New Year.

### TIPS FOR TAXPAYERS.

January 1, 1924, marks the beginning of the period for filing income tax returns for the year 1923. The period ends at midnight of March 15, 1924. Heavy penalties are provided by the revenue act for failure or willful refusal to make a return and pay the tax on time.

Form 1040A, heretofore used for reporting net income of \$5,000 and less, from whatever source derived, has been revised in the interests of the largest class of taxpayers—wage earners and salaried persons. Reduced from six pages to a single sheet, Form 1040A is to be used for reporting net income of \$5,000 and less derived chiefly from salaries and wages. Persons any part of whose income is derived from a business or profession, farming, sale of property or rent, though the amount is \$5,000 or less, will be required to use the larger form, 1040. The use of Form 1040 is required also in all cases where the net income was in excess of \$5,000, regardless of whether from salary, business, profession, or other taxable sources.

It being impossible to determine at this time which form is desired, copies of both forms will be sent taxpayers who filed individual returns for the year 1922, and may be obtained also at the offices of collectors of internal revenue and branch offices upon written request.

Invest your money where you know it will be safe 6 1/2 per cent interest offered. Inquire of O. P. Schumann, at Avalanche Office.

## BALKAN WAR AGAIN BREWS

JUGO SLAVIA MASSES TROOPS  
AGAINST GREECE—ENVOYS  
ARE RECALLED.

### GREEK GOVERNMENT IN CHAOS

Queen Marie of Rumania Is Without  
Question the Ruling Spirit in  
the Group of States.

Athens—Another Balkan war is brewing and Jugo-Slavia was reported Sunday to be concentrating forces on the border between Greece and Serbia, and to be on the verge of recalling her minister to Athens and breaking off relations.

Members of the government denied the report concerning Jugo-Slavia troop movements, but it was authoritatively stated that an open break between Serbia and Greece is likely to occur.

Following the action of Rumania in recalling her minister to Greece and severing relations, the Jugo-Slavia action makes matters doubly embarrassing for Greece.

With her own government in chaos, this country finds its Balkan neighbors in a hostile attitude at a time when Greece can ill afford to make enemies.

The break with Jugo-Slavia if it comes, will be accredited here to the same cause as that which precipitated the severing of relations with Rumania.

Queen Marie of Rumania, "Queen mother of the Balkans," is without question the ruling spirit of the little group of states. Queen Elizabeth of Greece, expelled with King George, last week is her eldest daughter.

Marie's fine Rumanian hand is set behind the sudden antipathy of the Balkan states toward Greece.

It is not yet known here whether the recall of the Rumanian minister Saturday means a permanent rupture of relations, but it is considered probable that the breach will be of some duration, lasting at least until Greece decides what her next government is to be.

### STATE FREIGHT RATES TO DROP

Order of I. C. C. Is Victory for Michigan Shippers.

Washington—Michigan shippers have won the major portion of their fight for lower freight rates, according to an order issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission. The new rates, which have benefited the manufacturing district in the lower peninsula lying north of the Michigan Central route from Detroit to Chicago, are ordered established on or before March 21, 1924.

The commission refused to grant the request to abolish the four Michigan freight zones, but lowered the rates in each.

Zone B which lies between the Michigan Central route and a line extending across the state from Muskegon to Sandusky, through Bay City and Saginaw, and that part of Zone C included in the Thumb district, were reduced to the same rate as Zone A, which is on and south of the Michigan Central route.

Rates in Zones C, north of Zone B to a line connecting Frankfort and Tawas City, were fixed at 6 cents above the base, and in Zone D, the remainder of the lower peninsula 10 cents above the base.

Reductions for Zone B amount to 3.5 cents a 100 pound; for the Thumb district, 10 cents a hundred-weight; and for Zone D, 1.5 cents.

### FOX GETS LIFE IN KLAN KILLING

Ku Klux Editor Who Slew Hooded Order's Lawyer Sentenced.

Atlanta, Ga.—Philip E. Fox, former publicity agent of the Ku Klux Klan, was found guilty of murder in his trial on a charge of slaying William S. Curn, a Klan attorney, here November 5. The jury recommended mercy.

The verdict, under Georgia laws, carries a life imprisonment sentence. After hearing evidence and arguments for more than a week, the jury received the case and returned a verdict of guilty as charged.

Fox killed Curn in the latter's office. The slayer was arrested as he fled. An indictment charging murder was returned against Fox a few days later, and on December 12, he was placed on trial in Fulton superior court.

From the beginning of the trial, attorneys for Fox based their fight for his life on testimony that he was insane.

Rural Russia Against Towns.

Irkutsk, Siberia—Russia's traditional clash of interests between the peasants and the town workers, which Lenin has frequently urged his followers to consider and seek to ameliorate, has now reached a more acute stage. The controversy has been growing throughout European and Asiatic Russia and has been engaged in by many communists. The matter will be threshed out in detail before the All-Russia congress in Moscow in January.

Just before the Charity Ball, a three day sale of silk dresses, Friday, Saturday and Monday. New stock just received.

Redson & Cooley.

### BILIOUSNESS

sick headache, sour stomach, constipation, easily avoided.

An active liver without calomel.

CHAMBERLAIN'S

TABLETS

Never sicken or gripe—only 25c



### THE KICK

Hubby—Well, what's on foot now?  
Wife—Wornout shoes! I must have a new pair at, once!

### SHE'S RIGHT

Big Sister—Why do you always persist in coming into the parlor when Harold calls?

Little Sister—Cause I don't like this underhand stuff.

### Y' GOTTER TAKE 'EM

"You may beg all you want. I won't kiss you. Dozens have begged for me, with the same result."

"Then you've never been kissed?"

"I won't say that."

### CLUMSY THINGS

"When I was at the seashore I had several men at my feet."

"I had several men on my feet every time I attended a dance."

### SCAB LABOR

Mrs. Goodsole—What's become of the sick beggar who used to stand here?

Mendicant—He's on strike and I've took over his corner. Thanks, lady.

### APPROPRIATE UTENSIL

Wife—Where's the paper-knife? I want to open this magazine article on condensed milk.

Hubby—Won't the can-opener do?

### SAW HIM HANGING

"He loves her madly, but it'll be the death of him."

"Why, what can you mean?"

"Saw them together a while ago, and he was hanging on her words."

Don't put your auto away for the winter without special fire insurance. Attractive rates; sound policies. Palmer Fire Insurance Agency, Avalanche office.

### GETTING UP NIGHTS

Tells you there is danger ahead. A healthy bladder does not act at night.

211 Detroit, W. Grayling, Mich. "I had to get up seven or eight times every night. I could not sleep. I tried many remedies but nothing helped. I then bought Chamberlain's Tablets and after taking a few I was able to sleep all night. I feel much better and my bladder acts all right now."

Chamberlain's Tablets are sold by all druggists.

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### SPECIAL ELECTION.

To the Electors of the Village of Grayling:  
Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Grayling, held on the third day of December, A. D. 1923, the following resolution was adopted: RESOLVED, That the question of the authorization to the Village Council of the Village of Grayling to borrow money and issue the bonds of said Village of Grayling therefor, shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of the said village at a special election to be held on Monday the fourteenth day of January, A. D. 1924 and a special election is hereby called to be held in the said Village of Grayling aforesaid on the day last aforesaid for the purpose of taking such vote.

NOTICE is further given that said question will be stated on the ballots to be used at said election as follows:  
Shall the Common Council of the Village of Grayling be authorized to borrow money and issue bonds therefor for the purpose of constructing, laying and completing a new water works system for the Village of Grayling in an amount of not to exceed \$75,000 at an annual rate of interest not to exceed 6 per cent.

The form of ballot to be used at such special election shall be in substantially the following form:  
Shall the Common Council of the Village of Grayling be authorized to borrow money and issue bonds therefor for the purpose of constructing, laying and completing a new water works system for the Village of Grayling in an amount of not to exceed \$75,000 at an annual rate of interest not to exceed 6 per cent.

YES  
NO

12-27-2

### NOTICE.

To the owner or owners of any and all interests in or liens upon the lands herein described:

Take notice that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the Register in Chancery of the County in which the land lies, of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with one hundred per centum additional thereto, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars for each description, without other additional cost or charge. If payment as aforesaid is not made the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description of land:

State of Michigan,

County of Crawford.

Northwest 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 of sec. 19, town 28 north, range 2 west. Amount paid, \$4.65. Tax for year 1917.

Northwest 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 of sec. 19, town 28 north, range 2 west. Amount paid \$5.15. Tax for year 1918.

West 1/2 of Northeast 1/4 of sec. 19, town 28 north, range 2 west. Amount paid \$7.49. Tax for year 1916.

South 1/2 of Northeast 1/4 of sec. 19, town 28 north, range 2 west. Amount paid \$8.30. Tax for year 1917.

South 1/2 of Northeast 1/4 of sec. 19, town 28 north, range 2 west. Amount paid \$9.25. Tax for year 1918.

Southeast 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 of sec. 19, town 28 north, range 2 west. Amount paid \$4.26. Tax for year 19